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MEMORANDUM FOR: Associate Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT

Coordinator for Academic Relations Seminar--Chinese Politics and Foreign Policy: New

Approaches and New Developments

- 1. I propose that the DDI Coordinator for Academic Relations sponsor a seminar on China, to be conducted on 22 and 23 March 1975, in the San Francisco Bay Area. The timing of this seminar would coincide with the Annual Convention of the Association for Asian Studies, which will take place in San Francisco from 24 to 26 March 1975.
- 2. In the course of a recent trip to the West Coast, in support of his current OPR research project, had occasion to speak to a number of China scholars about new ways to look at the China problem. A certain enthusiasm among scholars for a seminar began to develop as he made his inquiries. On the attached list, those names with asterisks have indicated a definite desire to attend if we should sponsor such a seminar. The other names include most of the best scholars in the field, and I believe a number would wish to attend.
  - 3. The seminar would run as follows:
  - a. Arrive at a hotel on 22 March 1975 in the afternoon. Have a group dinner (paid by DDI/CAR) and follow with a presentation and discussion about "Recent Developments in Chinese Politics and Foreign Policy." A chance to compare notes and argue about the National Party Congress, Mao, Chou, the military, etc.
  - b. At about 0930 hours on 23 March, conduct a session on "New Approaches to the Analysis of Chinese Politics and Foreign Policy." We might ask two scholars, to lead off with some ideas, and then open up to the group until about 1230.

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c. 1230-1300: DDI/CAR sponsored group luncheon.

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d. 1345-1630: Conduct a session on "China in the Future," based on OPR's research paper "China in 1980-85, and in the Year 2000." and would open with a series of conclusions and questions which should lead the group over very fruitful ground.

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- 4. Lew Lapham would act as a referee for all meetings, making certain that discussion remained useful and that no one seized and held the floor. OCI, OER, and OSR each would be invited to send a representative.
- 5. Financial obligations would include per diem for each academic participant, plus two meals, and per diem (actual subsistence) and travel for each Agency participant. We would pay no consultant fees or travel expenses for participants, other than taxi fares. I estimate the cost as follows:

CIA travel and actual subsistence for eight (5 - OPR, 1 - OCI, 1 - OSR, 1 - OER), with the OCI, OSR, and OER money coming
from their office accounts
Per diem (@ 2 days) and taxi expenses for 15 academic participants 1,000.00
Cocktails, one night
Group dinner for 26 participants 260.00 plus gratuity, @ 15 percent <u>40.00</u> 300.00
Group luncheon for 26 participants. 156.00 plus gratuity, @ 15 percent 24.00 180.00
Room rental for meetings, coffee <u>150.00</u>
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST

Three non-Agency USG guests will be invited to come, expenses paid by their home agencies (State, ISA, NSC). The academics and Agency folk would pay for their own rooms and breakfast from per diem/ actual subsistence, but get the group working dinner, working luncheon, and cocktails from the DDI/CAR Ops expense account.

- 6. This could be one of the best seminars yet. One of its most positive aspects is the fact that a number of scholars want it to happen. I would expect both the Agency and the academics to profit considerably from the experience. We need to move quickly in order to tie down the date with other key academicians.
- 7. Please note also that other officers in OPR, and presumably other DDI components, have or may request permission to participate in the Annual Convention of the Association for Asian Studies. I would not wish to increase the number of CIA participants in the CAR seminar. I believe this list contains about the right mix of Agency, other government, and academic participation. I see no reason why additional interested parties should not attend the larger convention, however

DDI Coordinator for Academic Relations

Attachment:

<u>List of Possible Participants</u> China Seminar, 23-24 March 1975

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